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REMARKS

The foregoing amendments and the following remarks are responsive to the January 11, 2007 Office Action. Claims 1 and 19 are amended, Claims 2-18 remain as originally filed, and Claims 20-22 remain as previously presented. Thus, Claims 1-22 are presented for further consideration. Please enter the amendments and reconsider the claims in view of the following remarks.

Comments on Personal Interview with Examiner Elve

Applicants thank Examiner Elve for extending the courtesy of conducting a personal interview on March 20, 2007 with Applicants' representative, Bruce S. Itchkawitz, to discuss the patentability of the pending claims. The amendments and remarks contained herein are in accordance with this discussion.

Response to Objection to Amendment Filed June 15, 2006

In the January 11, 2007 Office Action, the Examiner states that the amendment filed June 15, 2006 is objected to under 35 U.S.C. § 132(a) as introducing new matter into the disclosure. The Examiner states that "cooling conduit fluidly coupled" is not supported by the original disclosure.

During the March 20, 2007 personal interview, Applicants' representative explained that "cooling conduit fluidly coupled" was fully supported by the application as originally filed, including but not limited to, paragraphs [0071] and [0073]. However, in an effort to expedite allowance of the present application, Applicants have amended Claims 1 and 19 to refer to "coolant conduit" rather than "cooling conduit," as described herein. Applicants submit that this amendment merely clarifies the claimed invention and does not modify the scope of the pending claims. During the March 20, 2007 personal interview, the Examiner agreed that the application as originally filed has support for "coolant conduit fluidly coupled," so Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the objection and consider the allowability of the pending claims.

Response to Rejection of Claims 1-22 Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

In the January 11, 2007 Office Action, the Examiner rejects Claims 1-22 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,977,515 issued to Uraki *et al.* ("Uraki") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,507,000 issued to Otsubo *et al.* ("Otsubo") and U.S. Patent No. 6,693,255 issued to Freiwald *et al.* ("Freiwald").

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During the March 20, 2007 personal interview, the Examiner agreed with Applicants' representative that the combination of Uraki, Otsubo, and Freiwald does not disclose or suggest the claimed invention recited by Claims 1-22. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection of Claims 1-22 and pass these claims to allowance.

Summary

For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicants submit that Claims 1-22 are in condition for allowance, and Applicants respectfully request such action.

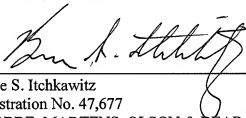
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